

# IES Holdings Reports Fiscal 2018 Second Quarter Results

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HOUSTON, May 04, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- IES Holdings, Inc. (or "IES" or the "Company") (NASDAQ:IESC) today announced financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018.

### Second Quarter 2018 and Year-to-Date Highlights

- Revenue of \$206 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2018, an increase of 1.0% compared with the second quarter of fiscal 2017; Revenue of \$404 million for the year-to-date 2018, an increase of 2.1% compared with the year-to-date 2017
- Income from operations of \$4.1 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2018, an increase of \$2.5 million compared with the second quarter of fiscal 2017; Income from operations of \$7.1 million for the year-to-date 2018, a decrease of \$1.5 million compared with the year-to-date 2017
- Net income attributable to IES for the second quarter of fiscal 2018 of \$2.2 million, or \$0.11 per diluted share, an increase of \$1.7 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share, compared with the second quarter of fiscal 2017; Net loss attributable to IES for the year-to-date 2018 of \$27 million, or \$1.29 per diluted share, a decrease of \$32 million, or \$1.49 per diluted share, compared with the year-to-date 2017, primarily driven by a \$31.5 million preliminary charge in fiscal 2018 related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
- Adjusted net income attributable to IES (a non-GAAP financial measure, as defined below) for the second quarter of fiscal 2018 of \$3.4 million, or \$0.16 per diluted share, an increase of \$2.3 million, or \$0.11 per diluted share, compared with the second quarter of fiscal 2017; Adjusted net income attributable to IES for the year-to-date 2017 of \$5.8 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share, a decrease of \$1.3 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, compared with the year-to-date 2017
- Backlog of approximately \$343 million as of March 31, 2018, as compared to approximately \$337 million as of December 31, 2017 and approximately \$335 million as of March 31, 2017

### Management Commentary

Robert Lewey, President, stated, "Our second quarter performance was solid across most of our operations. We believe our increased backlog positions us for a strong second half of our fiscal year with improving profitability."

Mr. Lewey continued, "Our Communications segment showed strong margins during the quarter and maintains a robust pipeline of opportunities. We continue to see our largest customers expand their data center capacity and invest in new technologies. Our Residential segment continued to benefit from a healthy single family market. Looking forward to the second half of the year, we are pleased with the progress made in our Commercial & Industrial segment, where we expect to see improving performance driven by a combination of increased backlog and reduced impact from the wind-down of two of our Commercial & Industrial branches."

Tracy McLauchlin, Chief Financial Officer, added, "Year-to-date we have generated \$11 million of cash from operations and continued to maintain our strong balance sheet. Additionally, on April 6, 2018, we were pleased to close the acquisition of Azimuth Communications, which was our Communications segment's first acquisition and supports our expansion into the attractive Pacific Northwest region. While our Residential segment's margins were negatively impacted during the quarter by an increase in commodity prices, we remain optimistic about the housing market and opportunities for our Residential segment."

#### **Net Operating Loss Carryforwards**

The Company estimates that it has available Net Operating Loss Carryforwards (NOLs) for U.S. federal income tax purposes of approximately \$378 million at September 30, 2017, including approximately \$142 million resulting from the additional amortization of personal goodwill. The Company's common stock is subject to a Rights Plan dated November 8, 2016, which is intended to assist in limiting the number of 5% or more owners of the Company's common stock and, thereby reduce the risk of a possible "change of ownership" under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Any such "change of ownership" under these rules would limit or eliminate the ability of the Company to use its existing NOLs for federal income tax purposes. There is no guarantee that the Rights Plan will achieve the objective of preserving the value or realization of the NOLs.

#### Stock Buyback Plan

The Company's Board of Directors has authorized and previously announced a stock repurchase program for purchasing up to 1.5 million shares of our common stock from time to time. During the quarter ended March 31, 2018, the Company repurchased 79,817 shares at an average price of \$15.40 per share. The Company had 736,901 shares remaining under its stock repurchase authorization at March 31, 2018.

### Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Other Adjustments

This press release includes adjusted net income attributable to IES and, in the non-GAAP reconciliation table included herein, adjusted net income before taxes, both of which are financial measures not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. ("GAAP"). Management believes that these measures provide useful information to our investors by distinguishing certain noncash events such as our valuation allowances release and write-down of our net deferred tax assets, and that these measures, when reconciled to net income attributable to IES, which is the most directly comparable GAAP measure, help our investors to better identify underlying trends in the operations of our business and facilitate easier comparisons of our financial performance with prior and future periods and to our peers. Non-GAAP financial measures should not be

considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for, financial information calculated in accordance with GAAP. Investors are encouraged to review the reconciliation of these non-GAAP measures to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures. A reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to GAAP results has been provided in the financial tables included in this press release.

For further details on the Company's financial results, please refer to the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2018, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") by May 4, 2018, and any amendments thereto.

#### About IES Holdings, Inc.

IES is a holding company that owns and manages diverse operating subsidiaries, comprised of providers of industrial infrastructure services to a variety of end markets. Our approximately 3,500 employees serve clients in the United States. For more information about IES, please visit <u>www.ies-co.com</u>.

Certain statements in this release may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, all of which are based upon various estimates and assumptions that the Company believes to be reasonable as of the date hereof. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "could," "should," "expect," "plan," "project," "intend," anticipate," "believe," "seek," estimate," "predict," "potential," "pursue," "target," "continue," the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause the Company's actual future outcomes to differ materially from those set forth in such statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability of our controlling shareholder to take action not aligned with other shareholders; the possibility that certain tax benefits of our net operating losses may be restricted or reduced in a change in ownership or a further change in the federal tax rate; the potential recognition of valuation allowances or further write-downs on net deferred tax assets; the inability to carry out plans and strategies as expected, including underperformance of our acquisitions or our inability to identify and complete acquisitions that meet our investment criteria in furtherance of our corporate strategy; competition in the industries in which we operate, both from third parties and former employees, which could result in the loss of one or more customers or lead to lower margins on new projects; fluctuations in operating activity due to downturns in levels of construction, seasonality and differing regional economic conditions; and our ability to successfully manage projects, as well as other risk factors discussed in this document, in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2017 and in the Company's other reports on file with the SEC. You should understand that such risk factors could cause future outcomes to differ materially from those experienced previously or those expressed in such forward-looking statements. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any information, including information concerning its controlling shareholder, net operating losses, borrowing availability, or cash position, or any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this release.

Forward-looking statements are provided in this press release pursuant to the safe harbor established under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and should be evaluated in the context of the estimates, assumptions, uncertainties, and risks described herein.

General information about IES Holdings, Inc. can be found at <u>http://www.ies-co.com</u> under "Investors." The Company's annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K, as well as any amendments to those reports, are available free of charge through the Company's website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with, or furnished to, the SEC.

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IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS, EXCEPT PER SHARE DATA) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months	Six Months I	Ended	I March 31,	
	2018	2017	2018		2017
Revenues	\$205.7	\$203.7	\$404.0		\$395.8
Cost of services	171.8	171.8	337.1		328.8
Gross profit	33.8	31.8	66.9		67.0
Selling, general and administrative expenses	29.6	30.1	59.7		58.3
Contingent consideration expense	0.1	0.1	0.1		0.1
Income from operations	4.1	1.6	7.1		8.6
Interest expense, net	0.5	0.4	0.9		0.9
Other expense (income), net	-	-	(0.1	)	-
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	3.7	1.2	6.4		7.8
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1.4	0.7	33.6		3.3
Net income (loss)	2.3	0.6	(27.2	)	4.5
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(0.1	) –	(0.1	)	(0.1
Net income (loss) attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.	\$2.2	\$0.5	(\$27.3	)	\$4.4
Earnings per share attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.:					
Basic	\$0.11	\$0.02	(\$1.29	)	\$0.21
Diluted	\$0.11	\$0.02	(\$1.29	)	\$0.20

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Shares used in the computation of earnings per share:				
Basic (in thousands)	21,182	21,299	21,190	21,293
Diluted (in thousands)	21,441	21,574	21,190	21,561

### IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION OF ADJUSTED NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND ADJUSTED EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO IES HOLDINGS, INC. (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months	s Ended March 31,	Six Months Endeo	d March 31,
	2018 2017		2018	2017
Net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.	\$2.2	\$0.5	(\$27.3 )	\$4.4
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	1.4	0.7	33.6	3.3
Adjusted net income before taxes	3.6	1.2	6.2	7.7
Current tax expense (1)	(0.3	) (0.1	) (0.4 )	(0.6)
Adjusted net income attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.	\$3.4	\$1.1	\$5.8	\$7.1
Adjusted earnings per share attributable to IES Holdings, Inc.:				
Basic	\$0.16	\$0.05	\$0.27	\$0.33
Diluted	\$0.16	\$0.05	\$0.27	\$0.33
Shares used in the computation of adjusted earnings per share:				
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(1) Represents the tax expense for the current period which will be paid in cash, and not offset by the utilization of deferred tax assets

## IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	March 31, 2018	
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$35.7	\$28.3
Accounts receivable:		
Trade, net of allowance	127.9	142.9
Retainage	20.6	21.4
Inventories	17.6	16.9
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings	15.4	13.4
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	9.5	8.8
Total current assets	226.6	231.8
Property and equipment, net	25.1	24.6
Goodwill	46.7	46.7
Intangible assets	29.5	31.4
Deferred tax assets	50.9	86.2
Other non-current assets	6.1	3.8
Total assets	\$385.0	\$424.5
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
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Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$111.6	\$120.7

Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings	27.8	29.9	
Total current liabilities	139.4	150.6	
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	29.6	29.4	
Other non-current liabilities	4.6	4.5	
Total liabilities	173.6	184.5	
Noncontrolling interest	3.3	3.3	
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:			
Preferred stock	-	-	
Common stock	0.2	0.2	
Treasury stock, at cost	(8.1	) (6.9	)
Additional paid-in capital	196.8	197.0	
Retained earnings	19.1	46.4	
Total stockholders' equity	208.1	236.7	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$385.0	\$424.5	

## IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

(UNAUDITED)	Six Months Ended March 31,			
	2018		2017	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income (loss)	(\$27.2	)	\$4.5	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided				
by operating activities:				
Bad debt expense	0.1		-	
Deferred financing cost amortization	0.1		0.2	
Depreciation and amortization	4.3		4.4	
Deferred income taxes	33.6		2.7	
Non-cash compensation	(0.1	)	0.9	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions and divestitures:				
Accounts receivable	14.9		(0.4	)
Inventories	(0.7	)	(3.3	)
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings	(1.9	)	(3.5	)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	0.1		(5.6	)
Other non-current assets	(0.1	)	0.6	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(10.1	)	0.2	
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings	(2.1	)	1.5	
Other non-current liabilities	0.2		0.6	
Net cash provided by operating activities	11.2		2.7	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchases of property and equipment	(2.3	)	(2.9	)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	0.1		_	
Cash paid for acquisitions	(0.2	)	(11.7	)
Net cash used in investing activities	(2.4	)	(14.5	)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		,		
Borrowings of debt	0.1		5.1	
Repayments of debt	(0.1	)	(5.1	)
Contingent consideration payment	_	,	(0.4	)
Distribution to noncontrolling interest	(0.1	)	(0.1	)
Options exercised	_	,	0.1	,
Purchase of treasury stock	(1.2	)	_	
Net cash used in financing activities	(1.3	)	(0.5	)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH EQUIVALENTS	7.4	,	(12.4	, )
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	28.3	33.2
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$35.7	\$20.8

## IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES OPERATING SEGMENT STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ende March 31,	ed	Six Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue				
Commercial & Industrial	\$65.6	\$55.3	\$118.6	\$109.2
Communications	50.2	61.7	104.7	115.0
Infrastructure Solutions	23.9	18.8	45.6	37.3
Residential	66.0	67.9	135.1	134.4
Total Revenue	\$205.7	\$203.7	\$404.0	\$395.8
Operating Income				
Commercial & Industrial	(\$0.3	) (\$2.6 )	(\$1.3	) (\$0.8 )
Communications	3.2	3.2	6.2	5.4
Infrastructure Solutions	0.3	-	0.4	1.3
Residential	3.3	4.6	7.3	9.8
Corporate	(2.3	) (3.6 )	(5.6	) (7.1 )
Total Operating Income	\$4.1	\$1.6	\$7.1	\$8.6

## IES HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES WIND-DOWN STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS\* (DOLLARS IN MILLIONS) (UNAUDITED)

	Three Months Ended March 31,				Six Mont March 31	ns Ended ,			
	2018		2017		2018		2017		
Revenues	\$3.9		\$9.4		\$7.1		\$19.8		
Cost of service	4.0		11.9		7.3		22.1		
Gross profit	_		(2.5	)	(0.2	)	(2.3	)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	0.5		0.8		0.9		1.5		
Income from operations	(\$0.5	)	(\$3.3	)	(\$1.1	)	(\$3.7	)	

\* Includes results from the Denver and Roanoke branches of our Commercial & Industrial segment. In July, 2017, we implemented a plan to wind-down operations at these branches.

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Source: IES Holdings, Inc.